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Editorial...

Well its been a very busy month for both MAPIT and UPIA. There have been a few MAPIT investigations to complete from last year as well as 4 new ones coming in during January. A similar story for UPIA.

Recently I travelled to Buckshawe Village in Chorley as part of an investigation into an alleged strange animal on the loose. Not an easy place to find as Buckshawe is relatively a new place and one that does not appear on the sat nav. The village is mostly industrial and rather quiet considering it was a week day I travelled up there. Asking directions from the odd bypasser did not help either. It seemed as if I was going around and around. Yep... The story of the wicca man came to mind,... And then to my surprise... There it stood. Buckshawes very own wicca man!



Eventually myself and investigator Kirst D'Raven met up with the local news reporter to give him our verdict! Yep... A Hoax!

A rather amusing story that will feature in the magazine at a later date. UPIA have also received a couple of residential investigations over the last week or so and are currently investigating an alleged haunted location in Staffordshire which was first obtained last year. The reported UFO sightings over the last 6 weeks have seemed to be nothing more than Chinese lanterns and possible solar balloons. In fact, MAPIT received that many phone calls that I decided to dedicate a page on the MAPIT Website to UFO misidentification, in hope of witnesses first reading the details and coming to the conclusion they had seen a balloon, Chinese lantern, birds, aircraft, clouds etc

Well... As for the magazine, I'd like to thank those who have submitted their articles to the magazine. If you would like to have an article appear in *Phenomena*, simply send it over to me and I'll give it the once over. Please make sure your articles are no more than four pages long.

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Royal Society meet to discuss if extra-terrestrials are here on Earth

It is the classic sci-fi scenario: discovering aliens, not in outer space, but right here on Earth, sitting next to you in the workplace, serving food in your local restaurant, or, scariest of all, in your own home. The premise might sound like the film *Men in Black*, but this week it will consume the great minds of science at a meeting of Britain's most venerable institution, the Royal Society.

Paul Davies, a physicist at Arizona State University, will suggest tomorrow that the search for extra-terrestrial life should be focused right under our noses. His audience will include representatives from Nasa, the European Space Agency and the UN Office for Outer Space Affairs, while Lord Rees, President of the Royal Society and Astronomer Royal, will also lead one of the sessions.

Addressing the meeting to mark the 50th anniversary of the Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence (SETI) programme — a quest that has fallen far short of its objectives — Professor Davies will argue that demonstrating that life has appeared more than once on Earth would be the best evidence yet that it must exist elsewhere in the Universe.

He told *The Times*: "We need to give up the notion that ET is sending us some sort of customised message and take a new approach."

According to Professor Davies, "weird" microbes that belong to a completely separate tree of life, dubbed the "shadow biosphere", could be present in isolated ecological niches in which ordinary life struggles to survive. Likely hiding places include deserts, scalding volcanic vents, the dry valleys of Antarctica or salt-saturated lakes. One team, led by Felisa Wolfe-Simon, of the US Geological Survey, is investigating the possibility that places that are heavily contaminated with arsenic, such as the Mono Lake in California, might support forms of life that use arsenic in the same way that other life forms use phosphorus.

Not all are convinced by the "shadow biosphere" concept. Colin Pillinger, who led the Beagle 2 Mars landing mission, said: "I prefer to deal in scientific fact — this is wildly science fiction. You'd be off your trolley to go searching for arsenic-based life." Professor Pillinger, who is due to speak at the Royal Society today, argues that Mars remains the best bet for finding alien organisms.

The conference will also address the social implications of the search for alien life. Albert Harrison, from the University of California, Davis, will discuss how human beings might respond to the discovery of extraterrestrial intelligence. "It is easy to imagine scenarios resulting in widespread psychological disintegration and social chaos," he said. "But historical prototypes, reactions to false alarms and survey results suggest that the predominant response to the discovery of a microwave transmission from light years away is likely to be equanimity, perhaps even delight."

ROSWELL GENERAL'S WIDOW LETS THE CAT OUT THE BAG.

By Anthony Bragalia

Captivating and credible testimony recently obtained from the elderly widow of a highly-placed U.S. Air Force General reveals that the Roswell crash of 1947 was in fact an extraterrestrial event. Her confession affirms that the true nature of the wreck has been shrouded in secrecy for decades- even from those at the highest levels of government.

Her husband, General Harry Nations Cordes, who possessed Top Secret/SCI clearance, was uniquely positioned to be "in the know" on such matters. Perhaps no other military man in history can lay claim to having been stationed at Roswell Army Air Field in July of 1947;



later with Wright Patterson Air Force Base; to have worked at Area 51; been employed by the CIA; to have acted as Deputy Chief of Staff at Intelligence Headquarters for the Strategic Air Command (SAC) and still later to have led many intelligence functions at the Pentagon. The Cordes story is a telling one- and leaves little doubt that what fell from the skies to the desert floor in New Mexico six decades ago was not from Earth.

General Harry N. Cordes.



Harry Cordes graduated from Emory University in Atlanta, GA and received an MBA from the George Washington University in Washington, DC. Shortly after the outbreak of WWII, duty called and Harry enlisted in the Army Air Force, graduating first in his class at navigation school. There, his love of flying developed and he was accepted for flight training as a pilot. Spanning over four decades, Cordes' career involved him in many historical events. He flew over 25 types of different planes.

He flew combat and reconnaissance missions in Europe, the Pacific, and Vietnam. Gary Powers, who gained global attention during the height of the Cold War, served under Cordes. Cordes was a U-2 pilot and was the first human to fly in a space suit. Cordes saw action in the Bay of Pigs, the Cuban Missile Crisis and the A-Bomb tests at Bikini Atoll. He served at the highest level of decision-making for many of the nation's most confidential matters, including "Star Wars" - the Strategic Defense Initiative.

In 1947 Cordes was stationed at Roswell (RAAF) as a Radar Operator. It was there that he met he met Rogene, his future wife. Rogene's father's cattle and sheep ranch was adjacent to the Roswell crash site. It is Rogene Cordes with whom this author has had extensive dialogue over several months.

It is Rogene Cordes -the General's widow- who felt compelled in the winter of her life to now tell all about what she and her husband knew about the Roswell crash and its history-making implications. Both Rogene and Harry were well aware of the crash of a "flying disk" at the time of its occurrence in the summer of 1947. As Roswell residents at the time, they read the papers and they personally knew many of the involved principals. But it was not until the 1980s when the Roswell story was brought back into the public eye that they began to discuss the meaning of the event and the truth of what has crashed there. Rogene recounts that she knew her husband knew much about the incident. She too wanted to know what really had happened.

Rogene told me that she used every tool she could to get him to talk. This included what she called "beauty" and "pillow talk" to coax him to reveal more about what he knew about the crash. Harry told her that he was not physically at the base the week of the crash and that he was on travel during that time period. She hints that she did not believe that he told her all that he knew. When she pressed him further he told her, "many of the guys there knew what had really happened. But it was a matter of duty to country to never talk." Finally, after repeated attempts, Harry told her, "I was a radar operator at RAAF as you know. The object was flying and it was unidentified. The machine was tracked by White Sands radar and those folks didn't know what the hell was happening." She pressed further. She said, "Just tell me, was it a balloon?" Harry replied, "It was no balloon. Jesse Marcel told the truth. But if I tell you the details you will never view life the same." He beseeched her to ask no more. But she did. Harry blurted out, "Rogene, if I tell you...I will have to kill you." She thought he was joking. But Harry was not laughing.

Much later Rogene much decided to approach her by-then retired husband on the Roswell matter more assumptively. She asked him directly, "Where do they keep the craft honey, at Area 51?" She knew of course that he had worked at the Nevada Test Site for some time. He told her that it was not stored there. "Maybe at one time it was at Wright Patt, in off-limits area."

Still later Rogene brought up the issue with her husband, remembering that he was in the CIA at one time. She asked him, "What did you learn about the crash when you were at the CIA?" The last thing he would utter on the matter to her was, "When I went to work for the CIA one of the first things that I did was to look for the Roswell file. I know it exists, but it was missing. Either that or they were hiding it from me."

Rogene told me that "I know that he wondered his whole life why there was a coverup- why they would not tell the people."

Though Harry Cordes was sparse in details about Roswell, he would tell her more general stories about UFOs that were encountered during his time in service. He told his family (including both of his daughters) that at one time when he was flying at 70,000 feet (the highest anyone has ever flown up to that time) he had personally witnessed what he said, "could only have been an alien craft." Rogene, born and raised outside Roswell, NM, grew up on a ranch. She was employed at a Roswell bank in the summer of 1947. Rogene knew many of the people in the community whose names today are well-known in relation to the Roswell crash.

Col. William 'Butch' Blanchard.



She spoke cryptically of Butch Blanchard, who was Commander of RAAF at the time of crash, "Butch was a believer." She states that she knew he had told "all the guys involved at the base" (many of whom she and her husband entertained at their home with dinners, card games and BBQ's) to say nothing of the crash event. Whenever she brought up the subject with the "military fellows" she was met with stoney silence.

She said to me,

"Anyone who wanted to stay in the military simply didn't talk about it! It was their patriotic duty to not say much and to not ask too many questions." She believes that Ethel was emotionally distressed over her husband Butch's involvement in the retrieval- and that it may well have contributed to their eventual divorce.



Sheriff George Wilcox.



Rogene lived just a few doors down from Roswell Sheriff George Wilcox and his wife, Inez. Rogene even today does not like to talk about the Wilcox involvement, "George Wilcox and Inez were threatened and were afraid for their own reasons. They really did not want to ever discuss it, not even to talk about it with their friends. George changed after all of that."

Though Rogene is unsure about the totality of the truth of embalmer and undertaker Glenn Dennis' Roswell tales, she said that she went to high school with Glenn.

Mortician : Glenn Dennis.

She knew him to be "on the straight and narrow." But one story he told she knows was true. The day after the Roswell crash Rogene was trying to get ice for the soda and beer for the holiday weekend. She made the "usual rounds" for ice, including at Clardy's- the general store in town. She was told that Roswell base personnel had already been in and that "they cleared out all the ice, they bought it all." She then went to the train station, where dry ice could be purchased. To her amazement, she was told that the Roswell base personnel had already been there too and "had bought it all out." Rogene felt that the entire town had it's entire supply of ice and dry ice depleted. This had never happened before or since the crash weekend. Later, when Glenn told about the need for ice to help preserve the bodies from the crash, she "put two and two together."



Most interestingly, Rogene confirms that there were military cordons around surrounding ranch lands to the crash site. With her own eyes she saw "military men with guns at their sides" who would not let people pass. Their paths were diverted away from the area. Later she also overheard talk at the bank "from early-rising ranchers" about long trucks covered in canvas going to the base.

RAAF PI Officer : Walter Haut.



Finally, she explained that she knew Walter Haut well. Haut was the public information officer at the Roswell Army Air Field who issued the story of a "flying disk" that had fallen near Roswell. Rogene believed that the original story issued was the true story. The news story was recanted the following day. She said, "I know Walter finally confessed that it was not from Earth at the end of his life. Walter finally told the truth." The woman from Roswell -the General's widow- had cleared her conscious. She concluded her conversations with me, "Harry died in 2004. He didn't want to say everything he could have. But I feel better telling what I know. People should know. And now they will... Roswell really happened."

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The Lordsburg Door.

By Paul Bottini.

A sun-bleached piece of Chupacabra jerky posing as an old man stopped swigging his mezcal and lemonade long enough to watch the pterosaur dive-bomb his front lawn. "Second time, today," the faded fossil mused to himself. The creaky relic cast a more discerning eye upon the flying prehistoric creature that, to the rest of the world, had been extinct sixty-five million years. Another gulp soothed the aged specimen's cracked throat. The man, perhaps older than the massive bird, itself, rocked back in a lawn chair atop his dying front porch. "This one's different than the last. Younger. Smaller. Can't be no bigger than a Buick. Probably just a pup lookin' for its mother," he proffered within his head. Chewing rusty ice made from rustier pipes, the venerable sage concluded, "Damned 'door' let two in, today."

A legally blind eye was diverted to a sandstorm licking the furthest edges of town. In the opposite direction, the pterosaur simply vanished into the "nothingness" from whence it came. The old man took no notice. A moment later, he vanished, too. Just another afternoon in Lordsburg, New Mexico.



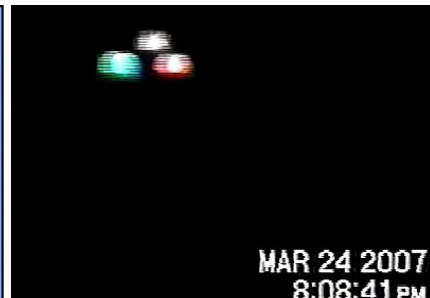
A dot the size of a pulp novel period defines Lordsburg on a map. 3,000 grizzled, live bodies constitute the population of this forgotten hamlet in southwestern New Mexico. Perhaps more of the dead variety do, as well. Slow suicide is Lordsburg's preferred modus vivendi, as a flourishing, underground methamphetamine enterprise keeps the hamlet wavering on constant life support. Sandstorms are the prevalent weather anomaly in these parts. Lordsburg, New Mexico; where businesses go to die. A wasteland of defunct storefronts dot the landscape like headstones in a busy graveyard. Let's face it. Only Oz would be a more perfect setting for a world gone awry.

Yarns of monstrous thunderbirds the size of small planes are spun around a perpetual loom of urban legends in these parts. Purportedly, mysterious spook lights, UFOs, ghosts and poltergeists are nothing new to the residents of Lordsburg. Amateur paranormal investigator, and Lordsburg resident, Ramon Ortiz has toiled the past fifteen years photographing and videotaping a mass of unexplained aerial phenomena above this tiny New Mexico borough.

Much of Ortiz's work showcases what appears to be technology well beyond anything humanly comprehensible. With great regularity, enigmatic craft reportedly "hover, divide, flash and even change shape in mid-air" over Lordsburg. Resultant of its wide variety of anomalous activity, this forgotten town now receives the moniker of a "Hotspot of High Strangeness;" a region in which numerous types of paranormal enigma occur.

So, what's the cause behind the mass irregularity inherent to this neglected rest stop on the way to Arizona? According to locals, the source of the strangeness is, simply put, a door. Somewhere on the outskirts of town, Lordsburg residents claim a portal between parallel dimensions exists. A gateway that allows pterosaurs, UFOs, spook lights and ghostly apparitions to commix alongside "small town Americana." As stated by Ortiz, the "opening" in question resides somewhere near mile marker 17 along Highway 90. It's unclear as to whether this ingress is actually tangible or an ethereal portal, but allegedly a diminutive chair and table, fashioned of carved rock, rest adjacent it. An ancient tree stump purportedly protrudes from the ground in front of the door. Trapped within the stump, a human leg bone can be found where some unfortunate individual allegedly emerged from "The Lordsburg Door" and into the molecular structure of a dead tree.

As if UFOs, monstrous birds and spook lights weren't enough, translucent, humanoid behemoths have reportedly emerged from the gateway, as well. According to locals, the spirit of Geronimo, long-dead Apache leader, has even been observed walking the town. Area ranchers claim to have witnessed their "hybrid, highgrade cattle" mysteriously disappearing only to "be replaced by low-grade, Mexican" cows. "Apparently, some cattle would enter the portal" while "others would exit...this replacement indicated that rustling was not involved in the disappearance of the" steer "because...thieves would not replace stolen cattle with inferior stock." Ortiz asserts only individuals welcomed by the door, itself, are capable of viewing the "opening."



According to legend, The Lordsburg Door is but one of seven such gateways within the "Boot Heel" region of southern New Mexico. Whether or not tales surrounding The Lordsburg Door are credible is up for debate. Currently, no extensive research of the area has been conducted by established paranormal investigative teams. To be certain, Ramon Ortiz's exhaustive hours documenting the strange in these parts is impetus to those curious highway astronauts exploring the hidden corners of the nation.

If you consider yourself a "new age adventurer," piloting your ship of steel over the endless waves of asphalt crisscrossing this great country, take a trip down Interstate-10, west of I-25. On a strip of highway between Shakespeare ghost town and Stein's ghost town (population 2), about twenty-five miles east of Arizona, you may just disappear forever, stepping through a portal into another dimension...

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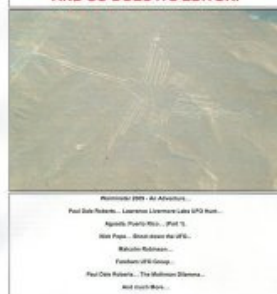
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AND SO DOES ITS EDITOR.





PROJECT RAINBOW

DID IT REALLY HAPPEN ?

BY STEVE MERA.

This mystery begins with a scientist who at first glance appears to have been something of a mystery man in his own right. Nothing much is known about the early life of Morris K Jessup except a few bare facts. That he was a man who had many varied interests. A scientist, astronomer, astrophysicist, mathematician, researcher, lecturer and of course an author.

Jessup was born on March 20th 1900 in Indiana. He travelled around the world researching ancient sites and myths and would often write short articles for magazines and newspapers. Eventually Jessup stumbled on several UFO issues that seemed to have connections with ancient sites and strange craters which had been photographed by the US Air force.

After moving to Washington, Jessup started working on a book called 'The Case for the UFO' and was completed by January 13th 1955. Little did Jessup suspect that the publishing of this book would mark the beginning of an even more mysterious train of events that would remain the subject of intense controversy for years to come.

It started when Jessup received a letter from a man calling himself Carlos M. Allende, bearing a Pennsylvania postmark which gave mention to Albert Einstein's Unified Field Theory being correct and used on a Destroyer type Navy Ship. The ship apparently disappeared leaving only the shape of the hull in the water. Most of the crew were badly affected. Some went mad and were institutionalised, Some suffered from what is known as 'Gettig Struck'. When suddenly your stricken and cannot move at all or less two or three other crew members that are also in the field move you. If left the crew member may become 'Frozen' and he would not be aware of time as we know it. Similar to a semi-comatose. Some crew disappeared, faded away completely. This affect could sometimes be stopped by others placing their hands on them. The expression 'Going Blank' was used to represent the feeling one would have just before fading and eventually disappearing into nothing, and perhaps the worst was those who burst into flames or fused with the ship itself. The Experiment that took place at the Philadelphia Navy Yard was apparently a complete success, however, the crew were apparently complete failures.

Allende went on to say, 'Check the Philadelphia newspapers for a small article from 1944-1946 in the Spring or Fall. It will describe the Sailors actions after their initial voyage'. Also check the ships crew for the S.S. Andrew Furuseth. This will help you... (Z416175).

Jessup had no idea who Allende was nor the Z-number he had given. Did this experiment really happen and what type of 'field' was he referring to? In fact, Jessup found it rather difficult to believe, but he was intrigued. There were some notes at the end of Allende's letter the mentioned the following :

1. The Navy did not know that crew men could simply fade away into nothing whilst not upon the ship and under the fields influence.
2. The Navy did not know that there would be crew men that would die from odd effects due to the 'Hyper Field'. Further more the Navy did not know why such things happened.
3. When those that faded away into nothing were never seen again, then more fears were amassed.
4. The experimental ship did disappear from the Philadelphia dock and only a few minutes, later appeared at its other dock in Portsmouth. The ship was distinctly and clearly identified as being in that place at that time before it disappeared once again only to turn up back at the Philadelphia dock.

Jessup was not aware that Einstein had worked with the Naval Research Department on top secret programs. Neither was this widely known at the time. Over the months, Jessup received several lengthy letters from Allende describing in detail the experiment and how the ships hull was gutted so to fit very large reactors in it and all under the guidance of the Naval Research Department. Also, something unusual... Allende had on a couple of occasions signed his letters Carl M. Allen. Was Allende using a pseudonym, and if so why? Several months later after Jessup's book 'The Case for the UFO' was published and somehow turned up at the Naval Research Department along with some interesting hand-written notes in it which were in three different coloured inks and obviously wrote by three different people. The writers gave mention to antigravity propulsion and talked of UFO activity as if they possessed intimate knowledge along with discussions on strange disappearances in the Bermuda Triangle. Sometime in Spring of 1955, Jessup was asked to attend the Office of Naval Research in Washington to discuss the book that had been sent to them anonymously. The book had obviously passed back and fourth among three persons who made notations before sending it to ONR. All very strange...

Jessup attended and was asked to look through the book that been sent to ONR. He found written references to the Philadelphia Boat Yard Experiment of October 1943 and of course immediately thought that Carl Allen who must have been involved with the notations along with two other individuals. Why was this book with the notations in sent to ONR. Jessup started to suspect that Allende and a few others may have been telling the truth. During three separate visits to ONR Jessup was asked to re-write a version of his book adding the notations. This version of the book was apparently just for ONR officials and was not to be sold to the public. Around 127 copies of this book was published which today only 12 to 25 remain, Pirate press managed to copy around 30 of them and distributed them worldwide.

To the right is a photograph of the meeting of the Project Orbiter Committee (the group that contacted Dr. Jessup) on March 17th 1955 in Washington D.C.

(Seated left to right) : Cdr George W. Hoover, ONR; Frederick C. Durant III, Arthur D. Little, Inc.; James B. Kendrick, Aerophysics Development Corp.; William A. Giardine, Alabama Tool and Die; Philippe W. Newton, Dept. of Defence; Rodolf H. Schlidt, Army Ballistic Missile Agency; Gerald Heller, ABMA; Wernher Von Braun, ABMA;

(Standing left to right) : Lt Cdr William E. Dowdell, USN; Alexander Satin, ONR; Cdr Robert C. Traux, UDN; Liston Tatum, IBM; Austin W. Stanton, Varo, Inc; Fred L. Whipple, Harvard University; George W. Petri, IBM; Lowell O. Anderson, ONR; Milton W. Rosen, NRL.



Jessup had tried to find Allende but had been unsuccessful, however, as word spread other parties became interested. The Aerial Phenomena Research Organisation APRO managed to track down Allende and talk him into being interviewed in 1969. During his interview Allende hardly said anything of the annotations in Jessups book or the so called experiment that had apparently taken place in the Philadelphia boat yard during October of 1943. To the left is a photograph of Carlos M. Allende or (Carl M. Allen) taken by APRO in 1969.

So what happened next, well lets once again go back in time to 1958. Dr. Jessup had attended his friends party and as soon as he arrived he asked his three closest friend into a private office where he gave them each a copy of the re-annotated book he had duplicated and told them to lock the book up and keep it safe in case something happened to him. Jessup looked tired and had an expression of fear on his face. Before his friends could quiz him regarding his appearance Jessup rushed off and was never to see his friends again. On April 20th 1959 at about 6.30pm, the still barely breathing body of Dr. Morris Jessup was discovered slumped over the wheel of his car.

According to the information on his death certificate, he had parked in a rural country park not far from his home and apparently placed a hose pipe on the car exhaust which fed into the car via a nearly closed window. Jessup had apparently committed suicide, or we have been led to believe that. Due to a medical report of a blood sample taken, he had consumed so much alcohol that it would have been impossible for him to have driven the car, let alone drive it down a sharp narrow country lane and park the car in a space perfectly.

Also, no suicide note was ever found and no autopsy was conducted. Apart from that, Jessup was often referred to as a tee total, and would rarely drink at most social occasions. Jessup's body was not donated to science despite his earlier requests and his body was cremated only two days after he was found dead.

So... Jessup was out of the picture, but what about the mystery regarding the experiment ? From the Allende letters and the APRO interview conducted in 1969, we have learnt many things. Allende stated :

1. Dr. Albert Einstein's Unified Field Theory was in fact completed in 1925-1927, but Einstein withdrew it because of dangers of use and the implications it would have on the world at that time. Allende said that this could be confirmed by Dr. B. Russell.
2. During World War II, the concepts of the Unified Field Theory were tested by the Navy and a Dr. Franklin Reno was responsible for producing results.

3. The results thus produced were used to achieve complete invisibility of a ship (not radar invisibility or stealth technology as we know it). The ship was called the USS DE 173 Eldridge and was a destroyer type vessel. The experiment took place whilst she had crew on board in October of 1943 by means of some energy force field applied around the ship.
4. The experiment took place whilst the ship was in the Philadelphia Boat Yard.
5. A small piece appeared in the Philadelphia newspaper regarding some crew members that apparently were seen to completely disappear whilst attending a local bar.
6. Allende himself had claimed to have observed the experiment whilst on board the Liberty Ship S.S. Andrew Furuseth.
7. Rear Admiral Rawson Bennet, Navy Chief of Research could apparently verify that the experiment had in fact occurred.
8. The USS Edridge mysteriously disappeared from dock and turned up in Portsmouth before re-appearing back in the Philadelphia dock only minutes later.
9. That Allende was in fact a crew member of the Furuseth at the time and the 'Z' Number was his Naval Identity number on his certificate. The Furuseth was at the Philadelphia dock during most of October 1943.
10. That the first experiment was conducted on an unmanned boat during 1935, and the second experiment was in fact the one conducted at the Philadelphia dock.

To the right is the service certificate that proved Carlos M. Allende was in fact Carl M. Allen who served on the S.S. Andrew Furuseth which was docked at the Philadelphia boat yard during October 1943. In the top right hand corner of the certificate is the very same Z-Number Carl Allen had give Jessup and number of years back.

A written account of a crew member had been located which mentioned the experiment. It Read : *(I actually shoved my hand, up to the elbow, into this unique force field as that field flowed, surging powerfully in a counter-clockwise direction around the experimental ship, the DE 173. I felt the push of that force field against the solidness of my arm and hand outstretched into its humming pushing propelling flow. I watched the air all around the ship turn slightly, ever so slightly, darker than all the other air. I saw, after a few minutes, a foggy green mist arise like a thin cloud. The ship then became rapidly invisible to the human eyes, and yet, the precise shape of the keel and under-hull of that ship remained impressed into the water as my own ship sped along some what side by side. Our compasses swung inaccurately and other bits of equipment started to fault.*



It seemed to be all over in a matter of minutes). The identity of the dock worker remains a mystery, but it is presumed he was a crew member of the S.S. Andrew Furuseth. Finally, we have been told that the newspaper article that was mentioned earlier was eventually found and did give mention to some of the bar maids that had observed crew members disappearing before her eyes. At this point I would like to ask you to make a point of remembering the dock workers comments about compass deflection, a strange green coloured mist and faulting equipment.

Further Research.

The Philadelphia Experiment does exist on several official documents which mostly give reference to the name 'Project Rainbow'. Which is believed to be the Project name or this particular experiment.

Letters to the Department of Navy have been sent several times and one such reply was obtained on July 23rd 1976. It read :



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
OFFICE OF INFORMATION
WASHINGTON D.C. 20350

IN REPLY REFER TO
OI-2252A/JVV/dh

JULY 23RD 1976

Over the years we have received innumerable queries about the so called 'Philadelphia Experiment' or 'Project' and the alleged role of the Office of Naval Research (ONR) in it. The frequency of these queries predictably intensifies each time the experiment is mentioned by the popular press, often in a science fiction book.

The genesis of the Philadelphia Experiment myth dates back to 1955 with the publication of 'The Case for the UFO's' by the late Dr. Morris K. Jessup, a scientist with a **Ph.D.** in astro-physics and a varied career background.

Some time after the publication of the book, Dr. Jessup received a letter by a Carlos Miquel Allende, who gave his address as R.D. 1, Box 223, New Kensington, PA. In the letter, Allende commented on Dr. Jessup's book and gave details of an alleged secret naval experiment in Philadelphia in 1943. During the experiment, according to Allende, a ship was rendered invisible and tele-ported to and from Norfolk in a few minutes, with some terrible after effects for the crew members. Supposedly, this incredible feat was accomplished by applying Einstein's **never-completed** 'Unified Field Theory'. Allende claimed that he had witnessed the experiment from another ship and that the incident was reported in a Philadelphia newspaper. **Neither the identity of Allende, nor that of the newspaper has ever been established.**

In 1956, a copy of Jessup's book was mailed anonymously to Admiral Furth, the Chief of Naval Research. The pages of the book were interspersed with hand-written annotations and marginalia apparently made by three different persons as they passed the book back and forth among them. The notations implied a knowledge of UFO's, their means of motion and generally, the culture and ethos of the beings occupying these UFO's.

The book came to the attention of two officers then assigned to ONR who happened to have a personal interest in the subject. It was they who contacted Dr. Jessup and asked him to take a look at his book. By the wording and style of one of the writers of the notations, Dr. Jessup concluded that the writer was the same person who had written him about the Philadelphia Experiment. It was also these two officers who personally had the book retyped and who arranged for the publication, in type-written form, of **25 copies**. The officers and their personal belongings have left ONR many years ago, and **we do not have even a file copy of the annotated book.**

The Office of Naval Research never conducted an official study of the manuscript. As for the Philadelphia Experiment itself, **ONR has never conducted any investigation on invisibility, either in 1943 or at any other time. (ONR was established in 1946).** In view of the present scientific knowledge, **our scientists do not believe that such an experiment could be possible except in the realm of science fiction.** A scientific discovery of such importance, if it had in fact occurred, **could hardly remain secret for such a long time.**

I hope this provides a satisfactory answer to your inquiry.

Sincerely,
Betty W. Shirley
Head, Research and Public Inquiries Section.

Interesting... Were the Department of Navy sure Einstein never completed his Unified Field Theory? Did they not know who Allende was, even though he was a crew member of the S.S. Andrew Furuseth and had an authentic service certificate? Were there only 25 copies of the re-annotated book manufactured for ONR and out of which they do not possess any? Did they not conduct an official study of the manuscript by asking Jessup to attend several meetings? Did ONR never conduct an experiment into invisibility? Was ONR only established in 1946? Could such an experiment remain a secret for so long? There are many questions as to the Department of Navy are telling the truth or not. Who Knows...?

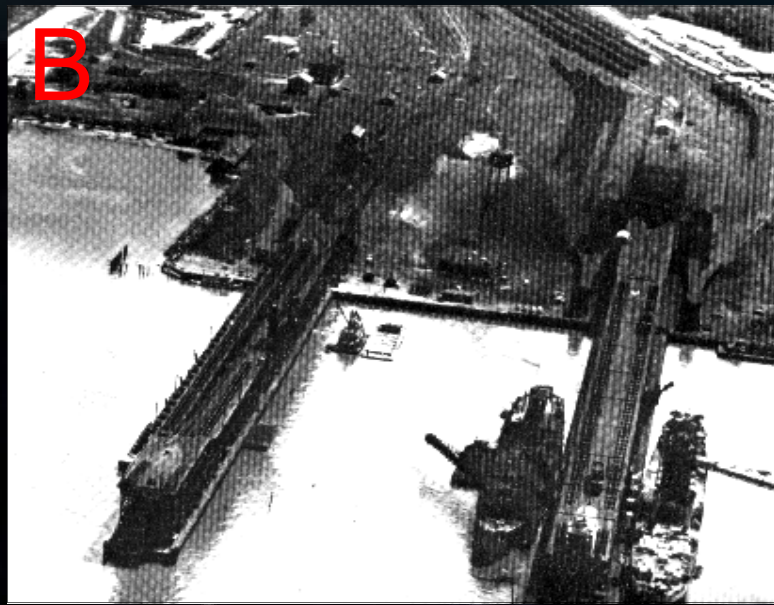
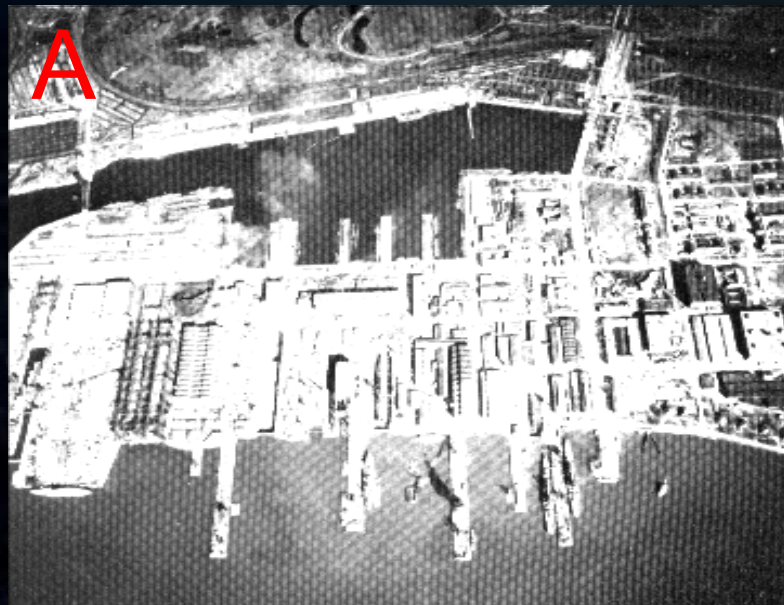
In a recently discovered German publication, there is mention to Dr. Albert Einstein completing a version of the Unified Field Theory in the period of 1925 to 1927 and that Einstein did in fact know and sometimes worked with Dr. Russell. There was also information that indicated that Einstein did in fact work for ONR at the time of the experiment in October 1943. Even though we have been told ONR did not exist at that time. Apparently, today's scientists say that such a theory that involves electromagnetics, gravitation and nuclear energy could possible be created and that a fourth weak field would possible employ time and space together, known as space-time.

To the right is a photograph of Professor Albert Einstein conferring with Naval officers in his study, Princeton, New Jersey on **July 24th 1943.**

The USS DE 173 Eldridge was eventually serviced and sold to the Greeks on January 5th 1971. Her name is now known as the 'Leon' and could still well be in service. When finally obtaining the ship log book for the Eldridge, we found that the period from August 1943 till December 1943 was missing and unavailable. Coincidentally, the Furuseth's log books had been destroyed thus also unavailable. One important document states the Eldridge was in the North Atlantic during November 20th 1943 when in fact all other documents state that she was in fact in the Bermuda vicinity.



We have had no comment on why there is these discrepancies. An Engineering log book from the Eldridge does in fact give mention to the DE 173 and the S.S. Andrew Furuseth closely working together on several occasions. It looks to be that there are a few falsified documents regarding dates. When looking at the Greek records for the Eldridge, hear came another surprise. The Eldridge weighed 1,240 tonnes on standard and 1,520 tonnes full load when purchased. The Naval documents state that the Eldridge was 1,240 tonnes standard and 1.900 tonnes full load. Obviously, a displacement of some 380 tonnes. Could it be that some equipment may have been removed before selling the ship the Greeks? More recently during 1995, a magazine article appeared that showed several photographs of equipment apparently used on the USS Eldridge during the experiment. How true the article was in unknown.



Picture A : The Philadelphia Navy Yard during World War II. Where the alleged experiment took place on the USS DE 173 Eldridge. This photograph was not declassified until July 12th 1977 and was obtained from the National Archives.

Picture B : The Norfolk Port facilities where the USS DE 173 Eldridge was reported to have materialised after disappearing from the Philadelphia Navy Yard. Again, this photograph was obtained from the National Archives.

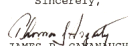
Casting your mind back to what Carl Allen had told Jessup, 'the first experiment on an unmanned vessel took place in 1935 and then a second experiment on the manned vessel the USS Eldridge took place at the Philadelphia Navy Yard during October of 1943'. If these two statements are true then we should consider that this type of experiment may very well have continued after the second World War. In fact, documentation informs us that experiments were continued at the Brookhaven National Laboratories at Long Island, New York under the guidance of Dr. John Von Newman. This following study was regarding the affects of dimensional travel on human beings. This fits very well, considering the possibility that the crew members of the USS Eldridge were badly affected. This continuing study was apparently called the Phoenix Project. To the right is a photograph of Dr. John Von Newman. On the 10th of January 1995, I wrote a letter to the National Security Agency at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland USA asking for any information pertaining to 'Project Rainbow' and a possible experiment that took place on the USS DE 173 Eldridge whilst docked at the Philadelphia Navy Yard during October of 1943.

Below is the reply I received :

Dear Mr. Mera.

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of 10 January 1995, for information on project RAINBOW. Your request has been processed under the provisions of the FOIA. A thorough search of our files was conducted, but no records responsive to your request were located.

The fact that we were unable to locate records responsive to your request may be considered by you as an adverse determination, and you are hereby advised of this Agency's appeal procedures. Any appeal of an adverse determination must be submitted to the NSA/CSS Freedom of Information Act Appeal Authority within 60 days after notification of the response. The appeal shall be in writing addressed to the NSA/CSS FOIA Appeal Authority, National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, MD 207556000. To aid in processing the appeal, it should reference the inability of the Agency to locate records and should contain in sufficient detail and particularity, the grounds upon which the requester believes records exist.

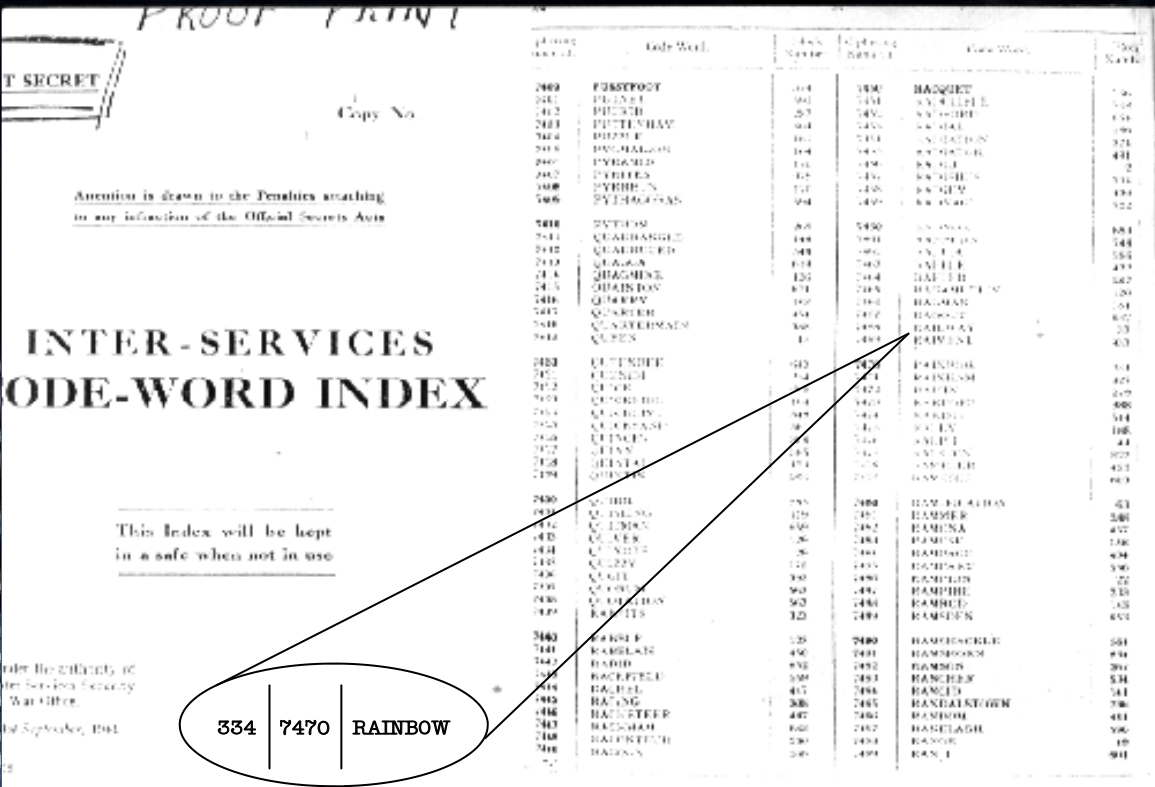
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Sincerely,  JAMES P. CAVANAUGH Deputy Director of Policy	

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Deputy Director of Policy.

I had then decided to do some checking. I found one particular document that was called the 'Inter-Services Code-Word Index which was at one time a Top Secret document. This gave information on Project Names, Block Numbers, Deciphering Numbers and Code Words and it was this document that assisted my second letter. Looking down the lists I came across the Code Word 'Rainbow' along with its Deciphering Number 7470 and a Block Number of 334. Surely this may help in the location of such records. I compiled the second letter and sent it back to Fort George in Maryland USA. Below is a photograph of the Inter-Services Code Word Index :



Some years back, when first contacted, the National Archives reported no record of Project Rainbow, and no knowledge of an index of Projects; but when the name 'Rainbow' was later given to the National Archives, this photograph of the proof print of the index was obtained. It is presumed that the code word 'Rainbow' does in fact represent Project Rainbow or better known as the Philadelphia Experiment or Project Invisibility.

The investigation into the Inter-Services Code-Word Index was not an easy find and we should credit Mr. Thomas Townsend Brown from NICAP -

(The National Investigation Committee of Aerial Phenomena) who spent much time in locating evidence to support the experiment and of course the Inter-Services Code-Word Index.

Information gleamed from this document was used in my second letter. It did not take them long to reply. It read :

This replies to your 26 March 1995 letter appealing the National Security Agency's (NSA) failure to locate records in request of Information Act (FOIA) for records on project "Rainbow." Your original request, the Office of Policy's 8 March 1995 response to you, and your appeal letter have been reviewed. As a result of this review, it was determined that another search should be conducted using the additional information you provided in your appeal letter (the deciphering numeral 7470 and the block number 334).

Due to the age of the records sought, the Office of Policy caused a second search to be conducted of NSAs Archives using the new key words you provided in your appeal letter. No records were located that were responsive to your request. Accordingly, I have determined that NSA does not hold any of the information you are seeking on project "Rainbow."

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NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY

FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MARYLAND 20755-6000

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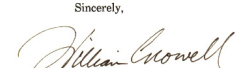
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Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act
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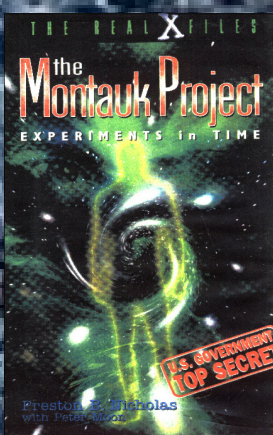
Below left is a photograph of the Federal Ship Basin and Dry-dock at Port Newark, New Jersey, where the USS DE 173 Eldridge was built. This photograph was kept under classification by the Department of Navy for 22 years.



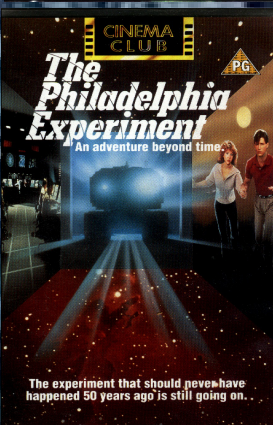
Below is a photograph of the USS DE 173 Eldridge. Taken on September 12th 1943. Obtained from the National Archives. Word of Dr. John Von Newman's continuing experiments soon got about and it wasn't long before Congress asked for a full report.



After which, Congress ordered the study and experiments to be disbanded, however, the Project was then privately funded by the military at an Air Force Station at Montauk Point, New York. It was there where continuing experiments took place for a number of years. By 1972, the Montauk Project was well underway and studied effects on human and animal consciousness during the effects of the force fields. The project came to a bizarre climax when scientists apparently opened a time vortex between themselves and the previous experiment at the Philadelphia docks during October 1943.



Now...this is where it becomes a little unbelievable. There are several claims by those who worked on the Montauk Project that they witnessed different realities, some of which were occupied by strange alien beings, and that they were able to remote view areas of the planet Mars. (Yep.... Right!) O.K. Whatever. As you can see, a little hard to believe. Anyway, in 1990 a series of lectures hit the U.S. regarding the Montauk Project and a video was released explaining more in depth operations. The video is quite funny. There a blond haired good looking guy wearing a polar neck top who doesn't say a lot and a rather fat guy who picks his nose, grunts and passes wind from time to time. Unfortunately, what they have to say went completely over my head. I suggest you try it for yourself if you can bear it out to the end.



During the 1980's Thorn EMI brought out the movie 'The Philadelphia Experiment'. During the production of the movie the Managerial department apparently received a letter from the Department of Defence asking them not to go ahead with the movie due to possible sensitive material. The production manager refused to comply thus when the movie was finished they found that the American Broadcasting Companies would not show it, nor allow it to be screened on American cinemas. Thorn EMI and New World Pictures had no choice but to release the movie on video format which soon passed to the UK. Never has this movie ever been shown at a cinema.

Researchers believe the sensitive material in the movie is not regarding the experiment that was conducted on the USS Eldridge, but the implication of a time vortex and furthering research in this area. When the movie was being manufactured the Montauk Project was still very much active and it is believed that the sensitivity of this project caused the Department of Defence to attempt to suppress the manufacture of the movie for those reasons. How true this is I don't know, but you have to admit, it's certainly intriguing.

Whilst in Blackpool conducting a lecture in 1994 I was approached by a gentleman who said that he had a pirate press copy of the re-annotated version of Jessup's book, 'The Case for the UFO'. The book cost me quite a lot of money, however, it was worth getting hold of. I had been trying to get a copy of the book for a few years. It was a most fascinating read. Finally, lets go back to when I asked you to remember a couple of points that the dock worker who apparently witnessed the experiment mentioned :

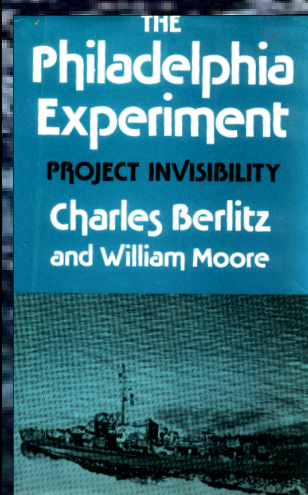
- 1. The compass deflection and faulting equipment whilst near the Eldridge during the experiment..**
- 2. The strange green coloured mist that engulfed the ship just before disappearing.**

It's interesting to learn that the USS Eldridge, when not at the Philadelphia Boat Yard was mostly operating in the Bermuda.... Actually, the Bermuda Triangle, where many a planes, boats and ships disappear without a trace and some often before hand complain of faulty equipment, compasses not working correctly, and on occasion talk of a strange green mist. To my knowledge, the Bermuda Triangle mystery has been satisfactorily explained by freak weather conditions, pilots becoming lost due to the small islands below all looking similar and of course unusual gas releases from the bottom of the sea and causing boats and ships to lose their buoyancy and sink only later to be covered over by filtering sand.

Of course that does not explain the strange disappearance of people in the Bermuda Triangle when only their boats are found. No-one really hears much anymore about the mystery of the Bermuda Triangle, but one such boat was found a drift during July of 1998 by the American coast guard. They decided to equip the boat and sail it back to dock but that evening, they experienced faulting equipment, compass deflection and four batteries had completely drained. They eventually reached their destination purely by luck. The coast guard have no idea why these anomalies took place and believed it to be the strange phenomena that has caught out many sea going vessels, not to mention aircraft.

As far as I know the owner and two passengers are yet to be found. Some people believe that the DE 173 USS Eldridge did in fact have three huge reactors on board and many large computer systems installed on her as part of the experiment, and that these reactors were nuclear run like most experimental reactors at the time of manufacture. Once finished with, they usually remain active for many many years. The best place to get rid of such unwanted nuclear materials is to shoot them into space, recycle or even possibly dump them at sea ? I'll leave you with this thought.... Most disappearances in the Bermuda Triangle cannot be readily explained up to the disappearance of Flight 19 and beyond, which of course took place on December 5th 1945, two years after the Philadelphia Experiment....!

I think it's a long shot. There does not seem to be that much evidence to suggest the experiment was real and went ahead. We know Carl Allen was a crew member of the S.S. Andrew Furuseth and may have been docked along side the USS Eldridge at the Philadelphia Navy Yard, but that does not prove the experiment was real, nor that he is telling the truth.



The dock worker who witnessed the experiment is a mystery man, the newspaper article that was apparently found has never been seen as far as I'm aware. The loss of records and mixed up data do not prove that the experiment was real.

I have found no information as yet to suggest the (ONR) existed during October of 1943. Jessup's death could simply be a suicide and of course, those who like a good conspiracy may be adding the icing on the cake. If ONR officials wanted a copy of the re-annotated book, this does not mean that the incidents hand written into the book are true. In fact none of the above information suggests the experiment was a real one, but..... at the same time, none of the information suggests it didn't. May be we will never know if the Philadelphia Experiment really did happen ! I leave it to you to decide....

Special Thanks to Douglas Curtis Productions & Charles Berlitz, William Moore, & Brad Steiger.



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Death of UFO expert Paul Vigay 'a mystery'



Telegraph.co.uk

Jan 21st 2010

The death of leading international UFO expert, Paul Vigay, is a mystery, a coroner has admitted, after he drowned without leaving a suicide note. The 44 year-old, who worked on the 2002 Mel Gibson film Signs, was discovered floating in the sea off the coast of Portsmouth, Hants, in February last year. Mr Vigay, a leading figure internationally on the research of UFOs and crop circles, had split up with girlfriend Andrea Smith on the night of his death, Portsmouth Coroners Court heard. Miss Smith, who shared a final meal with her former boyfriend before his death, told the hearing: "It was not aggressive. It was just emotional. "He was crying, I was crying. I said, 'this is it'. "I think it has come to the end of the line now." She added: "He went out and I said 'you promise me you come home' (and) he said, 'it is not important now'."

The hearing heard there was no suspicious circumstances, no sign of struggle on Paul's body and only a small quantity of alcohol. Mr Vigay, who was £10,000 pounds in debt, had left a note in his house to Andrea saying "I Love You" and a list of computer passwords and his phone code. When police and family attempted to use them, however, they did not work. His father, John, told the inquest: "He had very firm beliefs and he would stick to them. "He did not believe in suicide." Coroner David Horsley, who recorded an open verdict, said: "I cannot say beyond reasonable doubt that yes Paul has taken his own life. "The only person who could tell us what was going on in his mind and what happened that night is sadly not here to tell us."

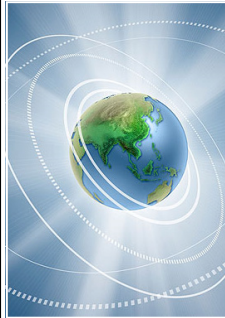
News...



Little Seen Men.

By Rhodri Phillips : Jan 26th 2010.

EARTH is becoming "invisible" to aliens, the world's leading ET hunter claimed yesterday. Dr Frank Drake said transmission of signals into space was being cut by the digital revolution. As a result, any little green men on other planets would not be able to detect them.



Dr Drake said Earth was surrounded by a 50 light year-wide "shell" of radiation from analogue TV, radio and radar transmissions. The signals had spread far enough to reach nearby star systems but are vanishing. He explained that while old-style TV transmissions could generate one million watts, digital transmissions are much weaker. And satellites aim their transmissions to Earth - with almost none being allowed to escape into space. Dr Drake said: "Now the actual amount of radiation escaping is about two watts, not much more than you get from a cell phone. "If this continues into the future, very soon our world will become undetectable." Dr Drake said he believed that intelligent life DOES exist beyond Earth.

He reckoned alien civilisations were likely to be far more advanced than ours and that their analogue TV age probably went long ago. That in turn means that the world's search for their signals is that much harder. Dr Drake - who founded US-based organisation SETI (Search for Extra-terrestrial Intelligence) 50 years ago - told a meeting at The Royal Society in London: "We're going to have to search many more stars and many more frequencies."



Liffey on Mars.

By Vince Soodin : Jan 22nd 2010.

AMAZING footage of a UFO has been taken in Ireland - as The Sun re-launches the nation's X-Files. A triangular formation of lights was filmed flying at night at "incredible speed". Experts reckon the sighting near the River Liffey in Dublin could be a secret aircraft - or spacecraft. Nick Pope, who probed mystery sightings for the MoD for three years, said: "The video seems to have been taken through a night scope and presumably shows things not visible to the naked eye.



"It appears to show a structured craft moving at incredible speed. The configuration of the lights is unlike any aircraft I've ever seen. "It's either some secret prototype aircraft or drone, or something considerably more exotic." Any sightings in Britain will NOT be officially recorded because the MoD last month axed the department probing mystery threats. Chiefs branded the £50,000-a-year department an "inappropriate use of defence resources". It came despite the near TRIPLING of alleged UFOs between 2008 and last year's 643. The Sun will pick up the baton, and release a rundown of your sightings, like the MoD used to.

Nick said: "The MoD's decision was bizarre. While I'm sure they'll investigate sightings from pilots and anything unusual on radar, the public had nowhere to go. There's massive public interest in this issue. If there's something unusual in our skies, we need to know or we could be leaving ourselves open to terrorist attack." The MoD defended its decision to shut the UFO division. A spokesman said: "We do not feel there is any military value in reviewing the public's sightings."



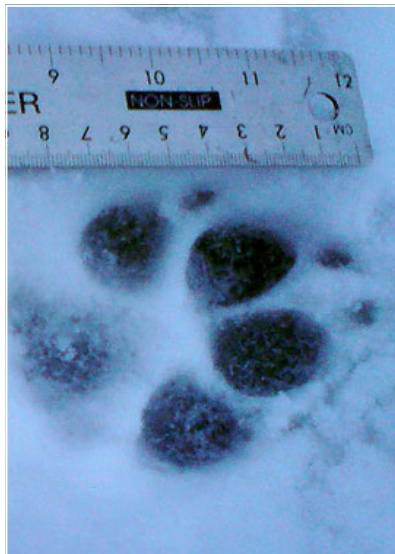
Big Cat Left Paw Prints in our Lane.

Published: Jan 25th 2010



TWO giant paw prints are being hailed as proof of mystery big cats which locals say have stalked their village for 30 years. The 9cm (3.5ins) marks were seen in snow by teaching assistant Coryn Memory. She rushed out with a camera after her neighbour Jane Spicer, 53, saw a cat "the size of a Labrador" run past her on a country lane at Thrupp, Gloucs. Coryn, 43, said:

"The stride was 120cm (47ins). There were tail marks as well." The beast, or beasts, have been seen 15 TIMES this month and are thought to have left woods to find food in the cold. Expert Frank Tunbridge said the prints were unlike domestic cats but had rounder pads and sharper claws than a dog's. The cats are thought to be descendants of pumas or panthers set loose in the 1970s when rules tightened on dangerous pets.



Telegraph.co.uk

The search for aliens should start on Earth not outer space, says scientist.

Jan 25th 2010

Professor Paul Davies, a physicist at Arizona University will tell a meeting at the Royal Society that the best way of proving that extra-terrestrial life exists elsewhere in the universe is to use evidence from earth. The meeting at the Royal Society, which will include representatives from Nasa, the European Space Agency and the UN Office for Outer space Affairs marks the 5th anniversary of the Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence (SETI) programme. Lord Rees, President of the Royal Society will also lead one of the sessions. Prof Davies said:



We need to give up the notion that ET is sending us some sort of customised message and take a new approach." He suggested that the search could focus on deserts, volcanic vents, salt-saturated lakes and the dry valleys of Antarctica - places where ordinary life struggles to survive - to find "weird" microbes that belong to a "shadow biosphere". Felissa Wolfe-Simon, from the US Geological Survey, is currently looking at the possibility that arsenic, found in contaminated places such as the Mono Lake in California, might support forms of life in the same way as other life forms use phosphorous. However, Professor Colin Pillinger, who led the Beagle 2 Mars landing mission remains sceptical. He said: "I prefer to deal in scientific fact, this is wildly science fiction. You'd be off your trolley to go searching for arsenic-based life." Prof Pillinger argues that Mars is the most likely place to find alien life. The conference will also discuss how humans might respond to the discovery of extra-terrestrial intelligence.

Albert Harrison, the from University of California, said: "It is easy to imagine scenarios resulting in widespread psychological disintegration and social chaos. but historical prototypes, reactions to false alarms and survey results suggest that the predominant response to the discover of a microwave transmission from light years away is likely to be equanimity, perhaps even delight."



By Nigel Pauley : 23rd Jan 2010

GHOST star Patrick Swayze has come back from the dead to haunt his widow. He has become a presence in his former home, just like the role he played in the 1990 film. He has even "held hands" with wife Lisa Niemi, 53, who was married to the Dirty Dancing star for 34 years before he died of cancer last September.

She said: "The kind of grief I experienced after Patrick was gone was literally on a cellular level. It's something deep inside your body that you have no control over. I can still feel the contour of his hand in mine."

"Sometimes when I'm driving on the freeway, I feel like I can just look over and see him sitting beside me. I'd put the pedal to the metal in our car and he'd break out into this big, mischievous grin. And I'd reach over and grab his hand and it was wonderful."

Lisa says she also feels Patrick's ghostly presence when she stays on their New Mexico ranch. She added: "The moment I set foot inside the house, it was like I was seeing it with new eyes."

"I saw Patrick there in the most loving and positive way. He was sitting on my shoulder, saying: 'Look at what we built together.'"

Lisa also praised the toughness he showed before his death. She said: "He should have been dead after five weeks but he fought for 22 months."

In the bittersweet hit movie Ghost, which co-starred Demi Moore, 47, Patrick played banker Sam Wheat, who returns after being shot dead.

Astronomers hopeful of detecting extra-terrestrial life.

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By Pallab Ghosh: Jan 25th 2010.



The chance of discovering life on other worlds is greater than ever, according to Britain's leading astronomer. Lord Rees, the president of the Royal Society and Astronomer Royal, said such a discovery would be a moment which would change humanity. It would change our view of ourselves and our place in the cosmos, he said. His comments come as scientists gather in London for an international conference to discuss the prospect of discovering extra-terrestrial life. Scientists have been scanning the skies for radio broadcasts from intelligent life for 50 years, and so far they have only heard static. But the chances of discovering life now were better than ever, Lord Rees said. He said: "Technology has advanced so that for the very first time we can actually have the realistic hope of detecting planets no bigger than the earth orbiting other stars. "(We'll be able to learn) whether they have continents and oceans, learning what type of atmosphere they have. "Although it is a long shot to be able to learn more about any life of them, then it's tremendous progress to be able to get some sort of image of another planet, rather like the earth orbiting another star." The recent deployment of space telescopes capable of detecting earth-like planets around distant stars now make it possible to focus the search. "Were we to find life, even the simplest life, elsewhere that would clearly be one of the great discoveries of the 21st Century. "I suspect there could be life and intelligence out there in forms that we can't conceive. "And there could, of course, be forms of intelligence beyond human capacity, beyond as much as we are beyond a chimpanzee," he added.

Aliens visiting Earth will be just like humans, scientist claims

By Ian Sample : Jan 25th 2010.

Extra-terrestrials likely to possess human foibles such as greed, violence and a tendency to exploit others' resources, conference to be told Governments should prepare for the worst if aliens visit Earth because beings from outer space are likely to be just like humans, a leading scientist is claiming. Extra-terrestrials might not only resemble us but have our foibles, such as greed, violence and a tendency to exploit others' resources, says Simon Conway Morris, professor of evolutionary - paleobiology at Cambridge University. And while aliens could come in peace they are quite as likely to be searching for somewhere to live, and to help themselves to water, minerals and fuel, Conway Morris will tell a conference at the Royal Society in London tomorrow. His lecture is part of a two-day conference at which experts will discuss how we might detect life on distant planets and what that could mean for society. "Extra-terrestrials ... won't be splodges of glue ... they could be disturbingly like us, and that might not be a good thing - we don't have a great record." The US space agency's search for alien life is based upon the mantra "follow the water", a strategy reflecting the fact that, on Earth, where there's water there's life. Recent missions have revealed ice on the moon and Mars. Astronomers have detected more than 400 planets outside our solar system, some of which sit in the "Goldilocks zone" where the temperature is neither too hot nor too cold for liquid water to form.

Conway Morris will argue that alien life is most likely to occur on a planet similar to our own, with organisms made from the same biochemicals. The process of evolution will even shape alien life in a similar way, he added. "My view is that Darwinian evolution is really quite predictable, and when you have a biosphere and evolution takes over, then common themes emerge and the same is true for intelligence. "If you have a planet much smaller than ours, the gravity is so weak it loses its atmosphere. If the planet is much bigger, its gravity is so strong that everything crawls around on the ground, because you don't have to fall far to break everything. It's fantastically dull."

The meeting is the first in a series that marks the Royal Society's 350th anniversary. Future conferences will tackle the science of ageing, vaccines, stem cells and geoengineering: the use of technology to protect the planet from the adverse effects of climate change. Albert Harrison, a professor of psychology at the University of California, Davis, who is speaking at the meeting tomorrow, will raise concerns about the radio signals humans are sending out to any eavesdropping aliens. Scientists have used telescopes to listen for alien broadcasts for more than 20 years, but we have also beamed our own signals into space. Harrison wonders if we might be sending the wrong kind of messages. "Some of them are serious, but there's a lot of hoopla, like love letters and commercials. What would we make of an alien civilisation if the first thing we translated from them was a commercial for a snack food?" he said.

In the spring, scientists will debate whether Earth should be more proactive in trying to make contact with aliens by broadcasting signals to solar systems that might harbour life. Some enthusiasts believe any alien civilisation capable of reaching us can only have survived long enough to develop the necessary technology by solving major social problems, such as war, poverty and discrimination. Harrison disagrees. "I do think there's a risk in active searches for extra-terrestrials. The attitude seems to be they're friendly, they're a long way away, and they can't get here. But if you wake up one morning and an armada of extra-terrestrial spaceships are circling Earth, that prediction won't necessarily hold," Harrison said. If life has evolved elsewhere in our cosmic neighbourhood, we should find out by detecting their waste gases in the atmosphere of their planet or by discovering remnants of extra-terrestrial microbes in meteorites or alien soil samples, he said. Harrison dismisses fears of public panic if alien life is discovered, of the kind which reportedly followed Orson Welles' infamous radio broadcast of War of the Worlds in 1938. "The public reaction was overstated. Most people who thought the broadcast was real took sensible actions to protect themselves," Harrison said. "Surveys suggest most people think they will be fine, but they worry about others freaking out." Ted Peters, professor of systematic theology at the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in California, has surveyed religious groups to understand whether confirmation of extra-terrestrials could trigger the collapse of religion on Earth. His research suggests not, but he believes Christians should clarify whether God's creation covers the whole of space or just Earth.





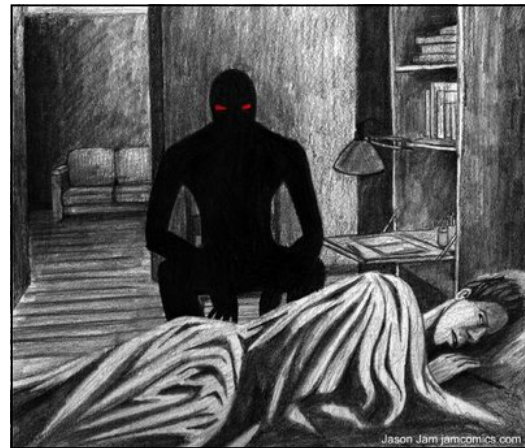
Shadow People.?

Stephen Wagner has been an investigator of many aspects of paranormal phenomena for over 30 years. He has written articles for numerous magazines, including FATE, and is the author of "Touched By a Miracle: True Stories of Ordinary People and Extraordinary Experiences". He is also a member of Central New York Ghost Hunters.

It is very likely that the most common form of apparitions are Shadows. Many have reported seeing them. However, most of the time they are spotted out of the corner of your eye. Of course, we may be able to dismiss many such sightings as optical illusions, your mind playing tricks on you etc

In regards those people that have witnessed such shadow people in their direct line of sight, one must ask, what are they? Dark apparitions? Entities from another time, space or dimension? Whatever they might be, they can be terrifying to those that encounter them, as you'll read in the frightening incidents below. In all of these incidents – including some in which these dark shadows have actually touched someone – they seem to have some form of intelligence and may even be following some type of agenda. What are these things... and what do they want with us?

Around 1983, the wife of Mr. Doyle, a qualified geologist, came face to face with one of these shadow people in her home near Olathe, Kansas, US. It seemed to follow that of another ghostly manifestation – a white form. Mr. Doyle explained that his wife was at home alone one September evening. "She was walking down her hallway when she suddenly stopped. She could feel a chill in the air," he tells us. "Almost immediately she saw a white shape, that of a woman in a long flowing white dress, drift from my study into our bedroom. The apparition look briefly at her as it passed in front of her.



"But then something or unusual made its appearance. From our bedroom into which the woman in white had disappeared, emerged what can only be described as a solid and very ghastly apparition. She watched a slow-moving, black, skeletal type form, like some hideously animated corpse. It did not seem to drift, but walked slowly into my office, not seeming to even be aware of my wife stood there. She felt no fear and advanced to the office door so to look in. The light was on, and this dark manifestation was just standing there, at my desk with its back to her. She said it looked like it was reaching out with a boney blackened hand at my papers on my desk, as if it were interested in them.

"She stood there, transfixed as it slowly turned towards her. She said it looked like it had charred clothing clinging to its body. It then looked straight at her, its faceless skull devoid of any emotion. She said that its eye sockets were black and empty. She did not think it wanted to cause her any harm. Then it simply vanished before her eyes, like a light bulb being turned off."

What was this dark apparition looking for on Mr. Doyle's desk? Was it a some type of ghost, merely repeating an action it once did in life? Or was it some type of being from another dimension. Whatever it was, it seemed to have a real interest in the papers left on the desk?



There are also stories in which these dark shadows seem to appear with purpose in mind. Sometimes it would seem that they are curious about the residents. Reiner, another witness to the shadows recounts what happened to his brother. "One night, while everyone whilst everyone was sleeping, my brother heard the shutter of bedroom window open," Reiner says. "He looked from under his bed-covers and saw a hand coming through his window shutter. He closed his eyes for a moment thinking that he was still asleep and dreaming, but when he looked again, there was now a dark figure of a man inside his room. Terrified, he screamed out and dashed to the light-switch. The dark figure seemed startled and jumped back out of the bedroom window."

Such reactions by these figures suggest that they are well aware of their surroundings. But what was it doing in the room? Around a year later, it came back, and this time behaved very unusual. "The dark figure was already in our room," Reiner says his brother told him. "This thing walked across the room and watched me sleeping as well as my youngest brother. It then went in-between the beds and started digging at the floor with what looked like a pick. The sight frightened him and he again switched on the lights and screamed out for me to wake up. But this time, the dark figure did not scare so easily. It stopped 'digging' and turned and stared at him. I suddenly woke and just as I looked toward him, I saw the dark figure standing there. It looked back at me and then at my brother and quickly jumped out of the window-shutter just as it had done previously."

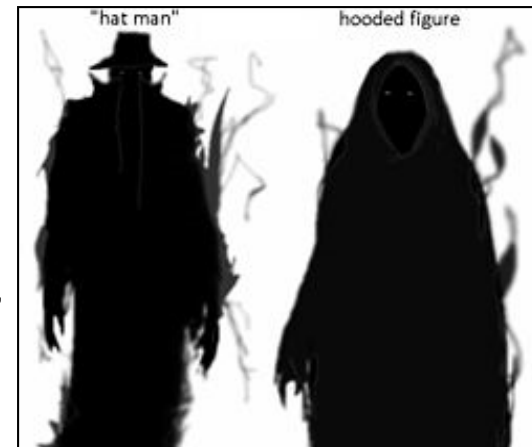
This encounter is significant in that the dark figure was seen by more than one witness performing the same action. But what was it digging for? If these are beings from some other dimension, we can only guess as to what they want. In another case, one of these figures was seen trying to pull up a floorboard.

Shadow figures aren't just seen during the night. Victor's sighting on November 1, 2003 was very strange indeed. He was in his kitchen fixing himself a cup of coffee. He turned to put the milk away and was shocked to see a shadow figure actually materialise, outside on his backyard patio.

"It was brownish in colour and seemed to be like a smoky mist wrapping around it." Victor recalls. "The mist was only a couple of feet tall and around two inches thick and seemed to was hug the side of the patio post about five feet above the ground. The 'mist' seemed to move aside from the post and formed into a dark figure. I could see its torso, but it had no legs, the head and right arm was also visible. There was no face to be seen and the torso didn't appear to be clothed in any way. The whole thing was still very misty looking, fluid and almost had a shimmer to it.

"A few seconds later, the figure actually straightened its head from a downward position (like someone standing at attention). I saw the shoulders snap into place and then we stood and stared directly at each other for a short while. Its whole body jolted, like it was shocked that I was stood there watching it. It seemed very human like. Imagine how your body reacts when someone surprises you. This is how it reacted. It turned sideways and lifted its right arm like it was running. Then suddenly, it moved very quickly back behind the patio post. At the same time he appeared to be running in some way. Its body seemed to be reverting back to a misty shape." This behaviour indicates, yet again, some form of intelligence. It seemed surprised that it could be seen by Victor, and retreated back to wherever it had come from.

Nicky has had several experiences with these dark figures, some were terrifying because they had actually touched her. On one occasion she was lay in bed with her husband and was jolted from her sleep. "I opened my eyes and was shocked to see a dark figure over me, holding my arms down and smothering me," she says. "I kicked at it furiously and tried to free my arms. I let out such a scream that it woke up our children. My husband shot out of bed, and for the first time in the 12 years we have been together he actually saw it. The dark figure rushed through the ceiling. It scared my husband so much that he sat up for the rest of the night. I was so frightened and relieved at the same time because my husband got to see it. He I thought I wasn't going crazy. After that incident, the visitations stopped, well.. That is until November 4, 2004. "My husband was at work on a night shift and I was at home with the children. Nicky says. "It was around 11.00 pm. I suddenly felt its presence again and when I opened my eyes I could clearly see the dark figure was not human. It was all black in colour and was crouching on four legs. It looked liked some sort of gargoyle. It pounced at me. I screamed at it and punched the air, jumped out of bed and switched the lights on. It had vanished... Since then, I always leave a light on.



Was this thing real... or was it Nicky's imagination? It would be easier to dismiss if her husband hadn't seen it as well...

Despite their appearance, some of these dark figures seem to have substance. How else could Nicky have felt it touch her on occasion? In the case of En Vee, he believes he inadvertently touched a shadow figure and will never forget it. During 1977 when he was around six years old, living in a 1900 house built in New Zealand. He awoke one night and made his way to the bathroom.

"In the dark, I put my arm through the doorway to feel for the dining room light switch. My hand settled on something damp and cold... something that felt like clothing of some sort," he says. "I jumped back. I could see something in the darkness, something dark moved away from the cream-painted wall. I rushed back into my bedroom and hid under the bed covers for a while. A minute or so later, I had an overwhelming feeling that it was stood in my doorway. I pulled the covers down and looked across, but there was nothing there. Seconds later, a black figure appeared in the doorway from nowhere. I couldn't move or shout, I was terrified.. All I could do was stare at it and hope it would go away. Eventually it did. I remember staring at that doorway for a long time afterward, my heart was pounding loudly in the fear that it might return, but it never did." Thank God!

Did En Vee actually feel the cold dampness of a shadow figure? Picturing the incident in your mind gives you the shivers...

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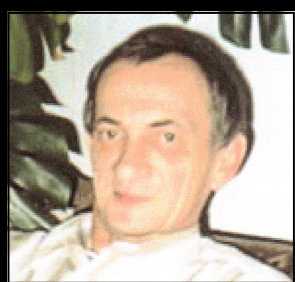
THE DALNEGORSK UFO CRASH

By Philip Mantle & Paul Stonehill

This internationally famous UFO incident took place in 1986, on January 29, at 7:55 p.m. Some have called it the Roswell Incident of the Soviet Union. The information concerning this incident was sent to us by a number of Russian ufologists.

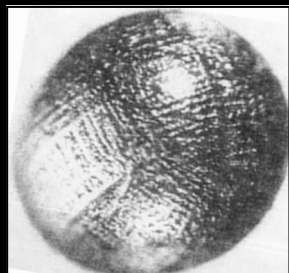
Dalnegorsk is a small mining town in the Far East of Russia. That cold January day a reddish sphere flew into this town from the southeastern direction, crossed part of Dalnegorsk, and crashed at the Izvestkovaya Mountain (also known as Height or Hill 611, because of its size). The object flew noiselessly, and parallel to the ground; it was approximately three meters in diameter, of a near-perfect round shape, with no projections or cavities, its colour similar to that of burning stainless steel. One eyewitness, V. Kandakov, said that the speed of the UFO was close to 15 meters per hour. The object slowly ascended and descended, and its glow would heat up every time it rose up. On its approach to Hill 611 the object "jerked", and fell down like a rock. All witnesses reported that the object "jerked" or "jumped". Most of them recall two "jumps". Two girls remember that the object actually "jumped" four times. The witnesses heard a weak, muted thump. It burned intensively at the cliff's edge for an hour.

A geological expedition to the site, led by V. Skavinsky of the Institute of Geology and Geophysics of the Siberian Branch of the Soviet Academy of Sciences (1988), had confirmed the object's movements through a series of chemical and physical tests of the rocks collected from the site. Valeri Dvuzhilni, head of the Far Eastern Committee for Anomalous Phenomena, was the first to investigate the crash. With the help of our colleagues in Russia this is the most accurate account of the incident to date.



Dr. Dvuzhilni arrived at the site two days after the crash. Deep snow was covered the area at the time. The site of the crash, located on a rocky ledge, was devoid of snow. All around the site remnants of silica splintered rocks were found: (due to exposure to high temperatures), and "smoky" looking. Many pieces, and a nearby rock, contained particles of silvery metal, some "sprayed"-like, some in the form of solidified balls. At the edge of the site a tree-stump was found. It was burnt and emitted a chemical smell. The objects collected at the site were later dubbed as "tiny nets", "little balls", "lead balls", "and glass pieces" (that is what each resembled).

Closer examination revealed very unusual properties. One of the "tiny nets" contained torn and very thin (17 micrometers) threads. Each of the threads consisted of even thinner fibers, tied up in plaits. Intertwined with the fibers were very thin gold wires. Soviet scientists, at such facilities as the Omsk branch of the Academy of Sciences, analyzed all collected pieces. Without going into specific details suffice



it to say that the technology to produce such materials was not yet available on Earth...except for one disturbing account. To give an idea of the complexity of the composition of the pieces, let us look at the "iron balls". Each of them had its own chemical composition: iron, and a large mixture of aluminum, manganese, nickel, chromium, tungsten, and cobalt.

Such differences indicate that the object was not just a piece of lead and iron, but some heterogeneous construction made from heterogeneous alloys with definite significance. When melted in a vacuum, some pieces would spread over a base, while at another base they would form into balls. Half of the balls were covered with convex glass-like structures. Neither the physicists nor physical metallurgists can say what these structures are, what their composition is. The "tiny nets" (or "mesh") have confused many researchers. It is impossible to understand their structure and nature of the formation. A. Kulikov, an expert on carbon at the Chemistry Institute of the Far Eastern Department of the Academy of Sciences, USSR, wrote that it was not possible to get an idea what the "mesh" is. It resembles glass carbon, but conditions leading to such formation are unknown. Definitely a common fire could not produce such glass carbon. The most mysterious aspect of the collected items was the disappearance, after vacuum melting, of gold, silver, and nickel, and the appearance-from nowhere-of molybdenum, that was not in the chamber to begin with.

The only thing that could be more or less easily explained was the ash found on site. Something biological was burned during the crash. A flock of birds, perhaps, or a stray dog; or someone who was inside the crashed object?

Dr. Dvuzhilni's article was published in a Soviet (Uzbekistan) Magazine *NLO: Chto, Gde, Kogda?* (Issue 1, 1990, reprint of an article in *FENOMEN Magazine*, March 23, 1990). In his article *Dalnegorski Phenomen* V. Dvuzhilni provides details unavailable elsewhere.

The southwesterly trajectory of the object just about coincides with the Xichang Cosmodrome of People's Republic of China, where satellites are launched into geo synchronous orbit with the help of the Great March-2 carrier rockets. There is no data of any rocket launches in the PRC at the end of January. At the same time, Sinxua Agency reported on January 25, 1988, that there was a sighting of a glowing red sphere not far from the Cosmodrome, where it hovered for 30 minutes. Possibly, UFOs had shown interest toward the Chinese Cosmodrome in the years 1989 and 1988. There is another curious detail: at the site of the Height 611 small pieces of light gray color were discovered, but only in the area of the contact. These specimens did not match any of the local varieties of soil. What is amazing, the spectroscopic analysis of the specimens matched them to the Yaroslavl tuffs of the polymetalic deposits (i.e. the specimens possessed some characteristic elements of the Yaroslavl, but not the Dalnegorsk, tuffs). There is a possibility that the object obtain pieces of tuff in the Yaroslavl area. Tuffs experience metamorphosis under the effect of high temperatures.



The site of the crash itself was something like an anomalous zone. It was "active" for three years after the crash. Insects avoid the place. The zone affects mechanical and electronic equipment. Some people, including a local chemist, actually got very sick.

This Hill 611 is located in the area of numerous anomalies; according to an article in the Soviet digest *Tainy XX Veka* (Moscow, 1990, CP Vsyia Moskva Publishing House). Even photos taken at the site, when developed, failed to show the hill, but did clearly show other locations. Members of an expedition to the site reported later that their flashlights stopped working at the same time. They checked the flashlights upon returning home, and discovered burned wires.

Eight days after the UFO crash at Hill 611, on February 8, 1986, at 8:30 p.m., two more yellowish spheres flew from the north, in the southward direction. Reaching the site of the crash, they circled it four times, then turned back to the north and flew away. Then on November 28, 1987 (Saturday night, 11:24 p.m.), 32 flying objects had appeared from nowhere. There were hundreds of witnesses, including the military and civilians. The objects flew over 12 different settlements, and 13 of them flew to Dalnegorsk and the site. Three of the UFOs hovered over the settlement, and five of them illuminated the nearby mountain.

The objects moved noiselessly, at an altitude between 150 to 800 meters. None of the eyewitnesses actually thoughts they were UFOs. Those who observed the objects assumed they were aircraft involved in some disaster, or falling meteorites. As the objects flew over houses, they created interference (television, telegraph functions).



The Ministry of Internal Affairs officers, who were present, testified later that they observed the objects from a street, at 23:30 (precise time). They saw a fiery object, flying in from the direction of Gorely settlement. In front of the fiery "flame" was a lusterless sphere, and in the middle of the object was a red sphere. Another group of eyewitnesses included workers from the Bor quarry. They observed an object at 11:00 pm. A giant cylindrical object was flying straight at the quarry. Its size was like that of a five-story building, its length around 200 or 300 hundred meters. The front part of the object was lit up, like a burning metal. The workers were afraid that the object would crash on them. One of the managers of the quarry observed an object at 11:30 pm. The object was slowly moving at an altitude

of 300 meters. It was huge, and cigar-shaped. The manager, whose last name was Levakov, stated that he was well acquainted with aerodynamics, knew theory and practice of flight, but never knew that a body could fly noiselessly without any wings or engines. Another eyewitness, a kindergarten teacher, saw something else. It was a bright, blinding sphere at an altitude of a nine-story building. It moved noiselessly. In front of the sphere Ms. Markina observed a dark, metallic-looking elongated object of about 10 to 12 meters long. It hovered over a school. There the object emitted a ray (its diameter about half a meter). The colour of the ray was violet-bluish. The ground below illuminated, but there were no shadows from objects below. Then the object in the sky approached a mountain and hovered over it. It illuminated the mountain, emitted a reddish projector-like light, as if searching for something, and then departed, flying over the mountain.

No rocket launches took place at any of the Soviet cosmodromes either on January 29, 1986, or November 28, 1987.

Dr. Dvuzhilni's conclusion is that it was a malfunctioning alien space probe that crashed into the Hill 611. Another hypothesis has it that the object managed to ascend, and escape (almost in one piece) in the north-easterly direction and probably crashed in the dense taiga.

There are opposing opinions. V. Psalomschikov, an expert on aircraft crashes, and a well-known journalist, stated that the object was manufactured in the USSR, the technology to produce it dates back to 1970's, and that he has similar ultra thin filaments in his possession. However, a Soviet probe would self-destruct immediately, whereas the object reportedly did try to ascend several times. Actually, Psalomschikov believes the crashed object was a Soviet-built intelligence remotely piloted vehicle.

A Russian ufologist and scientist, Gennady Belimov, presented information in 1993 that a Soviet military probe had crashed at the Hill 611. His proof was based on similar crashed of highly classified Soviet probes, and he concludes that ufologists misinterpreted the probe which to be a UFO crashed in the Far East. As for the lead collected at the site, Belimov believes it was extracted from the Kholodnensky deposit in the Northern Baikal region.

A new generation of Russian UFO researchers have reached a conclusion that the probe was an aerostatics reconnaissance vehicle possibly equipped to make infrared photographs. The speed of the probe was estimated to be approximately 54 kilometers per hour, which would negate Dr. Dvuzhilni's data. But even among them there is no consistent belief as to the origin of the probe. Vladimir Smoly, for example, does not believe there was a thermite self-destruction device aboard the probe. The self-destruction would be expected to be immediate, unlike to what had happened at Height 611 to the crashed object.

Was this a NATO probe? V. Psalomschikov mentioned that previously the NATO reconnaissance balloons did contain trotyl (TNT) self-destruction devices. One such apparatus fell on a house in the USSR and "self-destroyed" it; fortunately, there was no one inside the dwelling at the time. The Soviets raised hell, the scandal was heard even in the UN, and since that time the NATO probes contained only thermite self-destruction devices. Smoly believes the object was aerostatics apparatus created for entertainment purposes. However, M. Gershtein indicated that the object had a clearly defined trail, and could not have been a balloon moving at the speed of the wind carrying it.



Would the military later stage fake "UFO" flights to confuse and mislead ufologists, and the Western intelligence services? The objects observed on November 28, 1987 consisted of different shapes: cigar-like, cylindrical, and spherical. Their flight was noiseless, smooth, at various altitudes. Actually, not one of the eyewitnesses (including the police) mistook them for UFOs. The impression was that they observed some aircraft, or falling meteorites. While in flight, the objects affected power lines throughout the area. Lieutenant Zhivayev of the Interior Ministry troops described the object he observed as a flame with a lusterless sphere in the front and a reddish ball in the rear. And the workers from the Bor Quarry-Bistryancev, Anokhin, Grigoriyev reported a giant cylindrical object at an altitude of 300 meters. Its fore part was illuminated-like melting metal. There are many other witness accounts in the Dvuzhilni report. To remind our readers, the area of the crash is not that far away from the Tunguska Phenomenon site.

Something else, heretofore unknown in the West, took place in the region, that could shed some light on both incidents.

Alexander Rempel published his report in *Priroda* newspaper (Vladivostok) in July of 1991. A fiery object was observed over the Khabarovsk city on August 24, 1978, at night. It was about a meter and a half in diameter. At one point in its flight, it emitted a hissing (or wheezing) sound, like a jet engine does. The area around it became illuminated, like daylight. The object descended slowly, and lit up brightly. The soil, albeit full of water, burned up. Coal-like pieces were found in the area, they had holes and glass-like structures. For ten years thereafter the soil remained unchanged, and nothing grew at the site of the explosion.

The eyewitnesses reported that a dark object flew away just before the explosion. It was not found. Ten years later Rempel and his colleagues received numerous reports about an anomalous zone near Khabarovsk. Few explorers who have returned from the area confirmed that the object fell there, and that fantastic things have been observed there. Yet at the time Rempel could not confirm their reports: the military had sealed the area off. But his group was able to research the area of the Dalnegorsk Object alleged fall after it flew off the Hill 611. They found out about unusual animal mutations.

Russian newspaper *Komsomol'skaya Pravda* in its December 1, 2000 issue published an article about the Dalnegorsk case (*NLO svili v Primorje gnezdo*). Most interesting was Andrey Pavlov's (the author of the newspaper article) reference to the fact that in the early 1990s Russian generals from the anti-aircraft forces became concerned about the UFO activity in the area, and contacted local UFO researchers. An exchange of information ensued. It is newsworthy when a major Russian newspaper mentions such fact (the author actually quoted Dr. Dvuzhilni, the chief investigator of the Height 611 UFO crash).

According to Alexander Rempel (*NLO Magazine*, 1999) very few Russian ufologists recall the crash, or pay attention to it.

Alexander Rempel informed participants of the UFOMIND Russian UFO Forum that fragments of the crashed object have been examined in Vladivostok, Khabarovsk, and Munich, Liege and other places. In 2000, four Japanese and Korean expeditions examined the Height 611. Ufologists from Korea and Japan have made offers to purchase the "balls". The current price for one gram of any fragment is \$500.00, and the price has been going up. There are offers of \$1,500 per gram, but the demand exceeds the supply. Rempel is aware that there have been numerous conclusions of a number of institutes and laboratories in Russia and abroad, and yet all of them differ from each other.

There is no final conclusion that the object was made on Earth, but at the same time, there is no definite conclusion that the object was of extraterrestrial origin. Some peculiarities of the object still cannot be explained. Since 2000 there has not been anything anomalous in the area. But Russians ufologists show little or no interest in the famous case, states Rempel, except for those in Vladivostok. Two exhibits of the Height 611 incident have been made and are active; one is in the Dalnegorsk museum, and the other in the UFO Museum in Vladivostok. There are hundreds of witnesses, and dozens of the actual eyewitnesses, and many drawings of the incident, but there are no photographs. Numerous "*kontaktyori*" (those who claim to be in contact with extraterrestrial civilizations) had made predictions that never came true, claimed to be in contact with alien civilizations, wrote books

and made paintings of the event. They even claimed that a UFO would land at the Dalnegorsk stadium. This prediction had attracted attention of a great number of Russians, thousands of them arrived in Dalnegorsk, but nothing happened. Some of those who had arrived to meet the aliens still remain in the Dalnegorsk mental asylum.

The RUFORS Round Table members (Anatoly Kutovoy and others), as well as Vladimir Smoly's UFO Forum participants, have discussed the case, and actively exchanged scientific information about it. As for the Russian media, it has paid some attention to the crash recently, too.

We must mention another interpretation of the Dalnegorsk crash. It was published in Soviet newspaper *Ribak Primorya* (Issue 14, 1991). The author of the article about the Dalnegorsk Object was Y. Vasilyev. He states several interesting points. According to him, V. Dvuzhilni and a group of his students arrived to the site of the crash. They searched the area three times, quite thoroughly, and found tiny metallic drops. All required measurements were taken, and took photographs. Then they initiated physical and chemical analyses of the findings. The temperature of the melting was 390 degrees. Silvery metal was very soft; it was easy to break it with a pair of tweezers. On February 8, 1986, V. Dvuzhilni and V. Berliozov, a geologist (who had studied the Sikhote-Alin' meteorite) again ascended the hill. The geologist confirmed that the crashed body was of a cosmic origin, and the traces affirmed this. Its luminescence was similar to that of usual meteorites. Five years later, V. Dvuzhilini came up with further details ("fantastic details", according to Y. Vasilyev).

Then the author comes up with his own hypothesis. On January 28, 1986, American shuttle *Challenger* exploded in the sky. The force of the explosion was such that the fragments were thrown all over the Atlantic. It is possible that one of the fragments, flying from the southwest, landed in Dalnegorsk the next day.

There seems to a consensus of opinion that the Hill 611 crash may well a conventional explanation, but exactly what remains to be seen. It does have its parallel's in the West, the Roswell case being one of them, but there are others. Irrespective of this, it is a fascinating case, which is sure to divulge more information and more theories in the years to come.

The above is an extract from Philip Mantle & Paul Stonehill's new book 'UFO CASE FILES OF RUSSIA' now available from Healings of Atlantis at: www.healingsofatlantis.com

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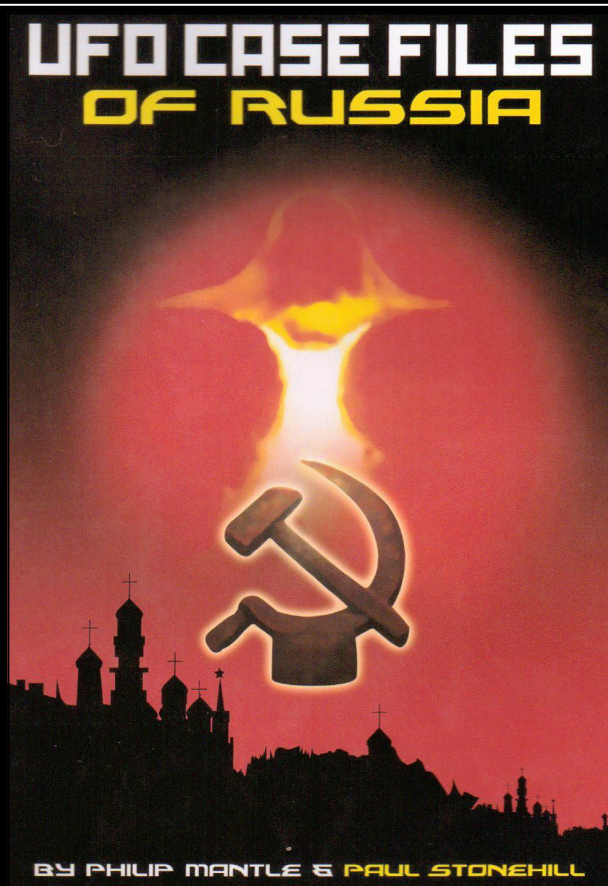
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THE VALENTINE GHOST

At midnight on Thursday, 14th February, 1867, two lovers stood on the bridge in Sefton Park, Liverpool, England. Their names were William Robert D'Onston and Alice Harwood, and they both knew that very soon, they would be going their separate ways through life, because William's stern middle-class parents had pressured him into an engagement with a wealthy heiress. So, upon the bridge at midnight, as a distant clock chimed the twelfth hour, William tearfully told Alice that their three-year affair would have to end, for the sake of his future bride. Alice said nothing in reply, but stared into the reflections of William and herself in the waters below. Then she suddenly turned and kissed him and closed her eyes as the tears streamed out of them. Before parting, Alice said in trembling voice: "Grant me one last favour, the only one I will ask you for on this earth."

William waited for her request with a burning sorrow in his heart. "Promise to meet me here twelve months from tonight at this same hour." Alice said. William wasn't keen on that suggestion, but somehow, deep in his tormented heart, he knew that he had to see his first real love once more, and so, in a broken voice, the young man replied: "Well, I will come if I am alive." "Say alive or dead!" Alice shouted. "Don't be so melodramatic," William said, trying to smile, then he clutched Alice's hands and said, "Very well then. We will meet next year at this very same hour dead or alive!"

The year dragged by, and exactly twelve months later, William and Alice were reunited at the bridge, but William told Alice that he was now married and no longer cared for her in a romantic way. Despite William's frank admission, Alice was still deeply in love with him. and before they parted, she begged him to for one further, final reunion at the bridge in a year's time, again on February 14th at midnight. William said that would be impossible, as he certainly had no intentions of jeopardising the loyal relationship he was enjoying with his wife. But Alice started to sob and reminded him of the promises they had made to each other during their long affair to stay together. So William reluctantly agreed to one - and only one - further clandestine meeting. As before, they both vowed to turn up at the bridge, whether dead or alive.

In February 1869, William was involved in a shooting accident, and suffered a leg injury which left him unable to walk without the aid of crutches. On the night of the prearranged meeting, William wondered how he could possibly get to the bridge on his crutches, and even considered postponing the journey to the rendezvous, but being a man who kept to his word, he decided to go to the park in a bath chair. The old trusted servant of William's family, Bob, already knew of the affair, and agreed to push William to the park bridge in his bath chair. Old Bob wheeled William through the moonlit streets until they reached the bridge. The servant then helped William out of the chair and watched him walk unsteadily on his crutches along the bridge until he reached the middle. The young man then waited impatiently for Alice to arrive.

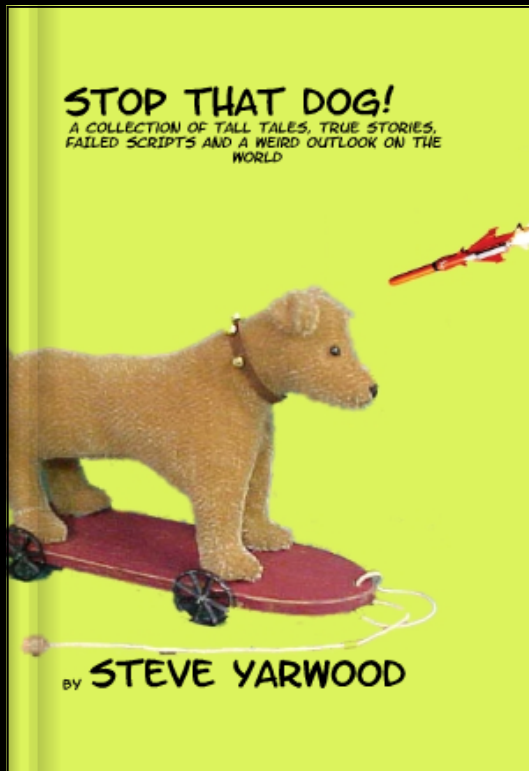
William shouted to Bob: "What on earth am I doing standing here upon this bridge on this freezing night, waiting for a girl who I do not care for anymore?" Old Bob wisely stayed silent. The clock in the distance started chiming midnight, and the approaching figure of Alice was suddenly visible at the end of the bridge. "About time, too." William was heard to mutter. Alice reached him, but showed no signs of slowing her pace, so to stop her walking past him, William instinctively tried to embrace the girl, as he suspected that his insensitive comments had upset her. But his arms passed right through her. Alice glanced back at the astonished William and with a terrible look of sorrow in her eyes, she whispered: "Dead or alive."

William trembled as he watched Alice continuing her walk to the end of the bridge - where she disappeared in plain sight of Old Bob. "Bob!" William cried out to the servant, "Who passed you just now?" Bob shrugged and said nobody had, although he had heard footsteps. On the following day, William visited Alice's family in Huskisson Street and told them of the strange encounter. Alice's parents looked at each other and Mrs Harwood broke down and sobbed. The father then told William that his daughter had died from a fever last night, shortly before midnight.

William almost fainted when he heard the dreadful news. The nurse who had attended Alice during her final hours then said that upon the girl's deathbed, the girl had constantly repeated the words: "Dead or alive, I must go to the bridge to see William..." It is said that every year at midnight on February 14th, the lonely loyal ghost of Alice Harwood is seen crossing that bridge in Sefton Park, still apparently hoping to meet her long-dead lover, Robert. As recently as 1995, a park ranger saw a beautiful young outdated-looking woman strolling through the park with a parasol. As she crossed the bridge, the lady vanished...

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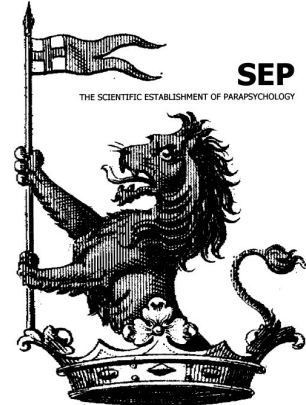
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